

St. Wilfrid's Church, Calverley
Annual Report and Financial Statements
of the
Parochial Church Council

for the year ended 31 December 2025

Prepared for the
Annual Parochial Church Meeting
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ST. WILFRID'S PARISH CHURCH CALVERLEY

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2025

Background

St Wilfrid's, Calverley P.C.C. has the responsibility of co-operating with the Incumbent, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

When planning our activities for the year, the incumbent and the PCC have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. We try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

Worship and prayer, learning about the Gospel; and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus.

Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish.

Missionary and outreach work.

To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the fabric of St. Wilfrid's Church and The Barn.

Structure Governance and Management

St Wilfrid's Parish Church is situated in Calverley, Pudsey.

It is part of the Diocese of Leeds within the Church of England.

It is a corporate body established by the Church of England.

It is a registered charity, number 1130921.

The correspondence address is:

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Membership

Membership of the P.C.C. are either ex-officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules.

<i>Incumbent:</i>	Rev. Rob Denton (Chairperson)		10/10
<i>Church Wardens</i>	Brenda Pickard (Vice Chairperson)	(to 2027)	8/10
	Fiona Hainsworth	(to 2027)	7/10
<i>Secretary</i>	Mrs Elise Warner-Rossi	(to 2028)	3/10
<i>Treasurer</i>	Mr Jonathan Lacey	(to 2028)	3/10
<i>Elected Members:</i>	Mrs Sandra Tempest	(to 2026)	10/10
	Mr Dan Cohen	(to 2026)	6/10
	Mrs Kim Pollard	(to 2026)	8/10
	Mrs Naomi Simkins	(to 2026)	7/10
	Mr Richard Jobes	(to 2027)	7/10
	Mrs Kim Raja	(to 2027)	7/10
	Ms Harriet Pollard	(to 2027)	9/10
(May – Dec 2025)	Mrs Elise Warner Rossi (stepped down)	(to 2028)	3/10
<i>Parish Rep.</i>	Mrs Brenda Pickard	(to 2027)	8/10
	Lizzie Reynolds (Curate, Ex Officio)		9/10
<i>Safeguarding (non-voting)</i>	Mrs June Hopkinson		0
<i>Deanery Synod Rep:</i>	Mrs Brenda Pickard		8/10
	Mrs Kim Pollard		

Committees

The P.C.C. operates through Standing Committee between full meetings of the P.C.C. if needed. There was no meeting of the Standing Committee during 2025.

Chairman's Address

Vicar's report on 2025

Hello all!

I'll keep this brief this year, keeping the format of the last few years, and with more to say about where we are going in a Family News email and at the APCM itself.

Worship

Our general pattern of worship remained unchanged barring slight tweaks to the Advent and Christmas season and starting Morning Prayer on Mondays at 9 in addition to Fridays at 8.

2025 was Toby's last full year with us as worship AV lead, as he stepped down at Easter 2026. His tireless work installing, maintaining and operating our IT and AV systems have been an unparalleled blessing to St Wilfrid's in his time with us, allowing us to coordinate worship and interact with the online world with a degree of professionalism far beyond most churches our size. It is testament to his skill and commitment that a team of 5 or 6 is still not quite enough to replace him. Next year I'll write more about their work and my gratitude to them, and how it takes all of us to make church work. For, now, I know I echo all of your thanks to Toby for everything he has done. He will continue to oversee our IT systems, which is great news indeed!

Church Growth– Mission

We regularly pray this on Sundays – *God of Mission, who alone brings growth, help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you, and in service to our local community.* This reminds us that God calls us to work with him in growing the church in three ways.

Mission – Numbers

Sunday attendance figures are steady, but it's very hard to discern what the various measures show. It seems that average Sunday attendance is down, average weekly attendance is up, and the count on Sundays in October is up. This seems to reflect a significant dip in Sunday numbers during an unusually poor winter, common to other churches who I have spoken to. Anecdotally, it seems that there are plenty of new people, and that by the end of the year we were steady again.

2025

Total	196 (-14%)
Children / Young People (0-17)	56 (+19%)
Adults (Age 18-69)	92 (-20%)
Adults (Age 70+)	65 (±0%)

2024

Total	227 (-10%)
Children (Age 0-10)	37 (-45%)
Young People (Age 11-17)	10 (-38%)
Adults (Age 18-69)	115 (+11%)
Adults (Age 70+)	65 (+5%)

2023

Total	249 (+16%)
Children (Age 0-10)	67 (+45%)
Young People (Age 11-17)	16 (+33%)
Adults (Age 18-69)	104 (+9%)
Adults (Age 70+)	62 (=)

2022

Total	215 (+25%)
Children (Age 0-10)	46 (+84%)
Young People (Age 11-17)	12 (+71%)
Adults (Age 18-69)	95 (-9.5%)
Adults (Age 70+)	62 (+77%)

Average Sunday Attendance

This is measured by the October count – regular attendance in a representative month which includes no major festivals or holidays.

Adults (16 years old and over)	69 (last year 75, -8%)
Children and young people (under 16 years old)	16 (last year 18, -9%)

What does that mean?

That remains hard to say. By and large, numbers are stable. That said, we still have around 200 people known to us as regular worshippers, and there are around 6000 people in Calverley – so that's 5800 people we'd love to know better, with whom we'd love to share what we have in Christ. How will we reach them?

Mission – Spiritual commitment (Discipleship)

Depth of discipleship for individuals is a vital part of church growth, as reflected in our mission prayer. We are all called to take our faith seriously and cooperate with God in our growth, to become ever more the people God calls us to be.

- One of our small groups still meets regularly for prayer, encouragement, study and fellowship. One more still meets but is not formally connected with church. TAG continues to thrive on alternate Tuesdays.
- For Lent we followed the Lectio Course from 24:7 prayer, which was a rich blessing to the 20 or so who participated.
- Book group meets every couple of months at The Thornhill, and read a wide variety of books, always with lively discussion. Books included *The Greatest Story Ever Told* by Bear Grylls, Lamorna Ash's autobiographical journey of exploring and finding faith *Don't Forget We're Here Forever*, and Rt Rev Marian Budde's *How to be Brave*.
- Ask Me Anything continued termly; do keep asking your questions. That's key to learning!
- We tried one last format for our Go Deeper services, an opportunity for more study, prayer and worship, but something about this seems to not to have settled yet. Perhaps the timing isn't right.

Improving the structures that helps with discipleship remains a priority, but something about which we seem not to have settled on a clear vision yet.

Children & Youth

Olivia, Harriet continue to lead our Kids Church, and Youth Church programs respectively, and I am enormously grateful to them for their leadership. This is always a priority – not the church of the future, the church now!

Mission – Service to our local community

- Café Revive is now well established and flourishing. It is a significant part of our calling as an Inclusive Church to love and support all.
- School Strugglers began in September, a new monthly group supporting the parents of those whose kids struggle with anxiety and attendance at school. While not a church-led group, we are delighted to host and facilitate this.
- Youth Drop-In on Wednesdays is also a largely secular activity, offering fun, friendship, toast, and a chance to download in a safe space to secondary age kids.
- Our occasional connection with St Luke's care home continued with services at major festivals. John and Heather Slack ably lead this, and would welcome someone with a particular passion for this ministry bringing revitalisation.
- Grief Café started as a 6-week course of bereavement support, running at Sid's Café, transitioning to a monthly meeting on Tuesdays.
- Several of us marched in Leeds Pride – a visible, affirming, supportive presence to the LGBTQ+ community on Calverley as proud allies and advocates.
- Calverley Scouts visited us twice in the year, in what seems to have become a pattern – once for an end-of year Trading Post evening, and once for a Christingle service.
- The New Parents drop in for those starting at C of E was a blessing to the many who came.
- Much of our community support comes through school's work, which is detailed elsewhere in this report and continues to thrive. Those links through schools coming to us for workshops, RE lessons and worship, or us going to them for Collective Worship, or the role church members play on governing bodies, are all a great blessing to community as well as missional opportunity.

Occasional offices

These are at the heart of our calling as a parish church, a holy service we offer to the whole community. In 2025 we were blessed by Sandra (funerals and baptisms) and Claire (weddings), who oversee admin in these areas; I am enormously grateful to them both for their time and diligence.

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| - Funerals in church or at crematoria: | 11 (last year 23) |
| - Baptisms: | 13 (last year 22) |
| - Weddings: | 1 (last year 5) |

Events

Kelly continued as our Barn and events manager, and is a blessing in her creativity, resourcefulness and diligence. Over the year we saw an increase in Barn use, both from regular bookings and one-off events, and several events at church. Some have been part of blessing Calverley, some more commercial. We have tried various new events, although income has been static.

Our bigger events such as the Beer festival, and the Plant-sale/Tombola, were great successes, bring hundreds of people together and making thousands of pounds for us and the charities they support. Jonathan our licensee, Margaret and Michael Roundhill our growers, and David and Susan Jubb as ticket-stickers extraordinaire, are due our

thanks for significant efforts and successes. Our presence at the Calverley Carnival gave a great opportunity to spread the word about who we are and what we do and be a loving presence at the heart of a joyful community event.

Structures, Systems and Staffing

The following are mentioned in no particular order!

Kim completed her initial Licenced Lay Minister training and was licensed, now proudly wearing her blue scarf when appropriate. Her training continues, and I am deeply pleased to share the ongoing leadership of the parish with her. As she says, Lay Ministers provide a continuity that vicars cannot.

Fiona Hainsworth and Brenda Pickard continue to serve as Wardens, retaining the wider support of Team Warden alongside them to handle oversight on Sundays and various annual scheduled tasks. It would be impossible to overstate the impact Brenda and Fiona have, taking much of the weight of day-to-day operations, and especially driving building issues forwards. I know that they too are grateful to Team Warden and all the support they get which allows them to focus on their particular jobs.

Jonathan continued as treasurer. Finance has its own report, but it is encouraging to know that we only had a manageable deficit last year, given both the continually rising Parish Share and significant expenditure on the roof. This was because of significant but small progress in all areas; regular giving, donations, fundraising, and commercial income. To have our finances in such health is not something I take for granted.

That said, giving and earning will need to significantly improve if we are to keep pace with our commitment to Parish Share, our faithful contribution to the wider work of the diocese and provision for clergy, and with the significant expected costs of the next phase of building work in 2027.

Lizzie's wide-ranging ministry as curate continues to be a rich blessing to us. Her sermons continue to inspire me, her funerals are a great comfort, and her oversight of Grief Café, Youth Drop-In, the pastoral care system, New Parents drop-in is of great benefit to the church and parish, and I cherish sharing of ordained ministry with her, as I do with Sue and Paul, who continue to lead, preside and preach. For a church this size to have four priests is rare and wonderful.

During 2025 we introduced a system for Pastoral Care, to help ensure those in need were seen and cared for. Those known to us as regular attendees whose details are on the Electoral Roll and/or ChurchSuite were shared out among the PCC for each member to keep an eye out for them, notice if they were ill or absent, check in with them from time to time and pass on any issues to clergy as needed. Lizzie and I also took over a different PCC member's list every month to keep an eye out ourselves. This seems to be helping our church leaders keep in touch with the congregation.

And finally – what's next?

Reflecting on my fourth year in Calverley, we seem to be in a settled place; it was another evolutionary year, not a revolutionary one. Loving God, Loving Calverley and Growing Together remains a great description of who we are called to be and what we are called to do, and we're active in all three dimensions. Inclusive Church feels like a stable part of who we are, for instance. Various ministries are up and running, and other areas feel ready to expand or grow. I continue to wait for God and circumstance to suggest ways forward, to prayerfully wait for opportunities to say 'yes' to, for the right people to step into new roles. This patient faithful approach feels right.

I conclude as we usually begin our services, with gratitude. I dare not list any more names, suffice it to say that I continue to count myself lucky to be called to this church at this time, a church where so many people give of themselves to Love God, Love Calverley and Grow Together.

It's worth noting that I am also deeply grateful to Carol, our administrator, who keeps everything going behind the scenes and brings a clarity and sense of structure to things my ADHD brain would otherwise struggle with. I am sure we get much more value from her than we pay her for! This report in its entirety would not be here without her.

Your ever grateful vicar,
Rob

Standing Committee

This is the only committee required by law. It has the power of the PCC between meetings, subject to any directions given by council. (Full Terms of Reference & Procedures available on request) It did not meet during 2025

The Parochial Church Council

The P.C.C. met in-person on 10 occasions.

Staffing

Toby is paid for 5 hours for the work he does in updating the website and producing our morning prayer for You Tube (and many other things). Susan Jubb is paid for 2 hours a week to clean the office, vestry, toilets and server. Carol Cowling, our Church Administrator, is paid for 12 hours, and Kelly Cartwright Hughes our Church and Barn Events Manager is paid for 15 hours a week plus any additional hours if required.

Comments on the finance report from the treasurer

1. Church income was almost the same as 2024 (£189,387 compared to £191,236 in 2024) this is considerably up from £136,998 in 2023 – however this does include extraordinary income in both years – the Woodhall Hills Children's restricted fund donation of £28k+ in 2024 and the Grants for the roof of £17,500 in 2025 – the difference being an increase of £11k in donations – which is fantastic.
2. Total expenditure rose from £167,681 in 2024 to £191,000 in 2025. This is an increase of £23,319 (14%) - this can be accounted for in the church roof costs of £35,504.26 (which the Grants were for), general increase in maintenance costs and increase staffing costs (£5,885) – which is why the PCC agreed to make a Share contribution to the diocese of £60,000 in 2025 compared to £75,464 in 2024.
3. Year 2025 made a deficit of £2663.00 compared to a surplus of £24,070 in 2024, which considering the roof expenses and general cost increases the church has faced, is not a bad result, in my opinion. The PCC agreed to delve into our savings to cushion this loss (£25,000 was taken from our investment account), with the intention of putting it back, when possible. The roof costs (not including the architect's fees) came to £35,504.26 (Net of VAT – which was reclaimed) the Grants came to £17,500 which means the remaining cost to the church was £18,004.26 (although we did get some smaller donations towards that). On page 18 section 2a 'Grants' – the 1st figure listed (until the column

Unrestricted funds) is actually the total reclaim of VAT for the year – which is largely for the roof expenditure but not wholly)

4. Looking to the future – we cannot take our foot of the fundraising gas, as we face even more increased costs, huge work on the tower (£80,000?) in the coming years, and the loss of our ability to reclaim the VAT for maintenance costs to the church building.

Resources Income

The income from donors by way of regular giving, tax recovery, plate and fundraising was £121,871 (£110,066 in 2024), an increase of 11% on the previous year.

The total income was £189,387 (£191,236 in 2024) a decrease of 1% on the previous year.

Donations and Legacies

During the year we received 3 grants towards the cost of the Church roof repairs. 2 grants were from the Diocese totalling £7,500 and the other was from Leeds Church Extension Society for £10,000. We also recovered £9,209 through the governments listed places of worship grant scheme for the VAT paid on repairs and maintenance to the church building

Resources Used

Charitable donations by the church for the year were £4,304

Total expenditure was £191,000 (£167,681 in 2024) an increase of 14% on the previous year. The cost during the year for the church roof repairs was just over £47,000 with an additional £3,500 spent on work to the bell tower.

Reserves Policy

It is PCC policy to try to maintain a balance on free reserves (net current assets) which equates to at least three months unrestricted payments. This is equivalent to £47,750 based on last year's expenditure although this did include the one off £47,000 for roof repairs. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies. The balance of the free reserves at the end of the year was £54,129 which covers this target.

Restricted funds (fabric, graveyard, and youth work) comprise £18,509 of fixed assets and £42,181 of current assets.

The Diocesan Share

The requested share, a proportion of which meets the stipend, pension and housing costs of the clergy, was £83,011, (£75,464 in 2024). At the end of 2025 £8,464 of the 2024 share was still outstanding, this was however paid in January 2026. At the end of 2025 there was still £23,011 outstanding for the share request for 2025. the PCC have decided that there are insufficient funds to realistically pay this amount, so it has been credited in the accounts and is not carried forward as a debt. The share request for 2026 is £91,312.

The Trustees Report was approved by the Parochial Church Council on Monday 11th May 2026



Revd Rob Denton

Chairman of the Meeting.

Parochial Church Council of St Wilfrid's Calverley

Independent examiner's report

I report on the accounts of the Parochial Church Council of St Wilfrid, Calverley (the church) for the year ended 31 December 2025.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PCC AND THE EXAMINER

The church's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The church's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention BASIS OF

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT

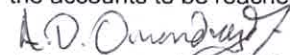
My examination was carried out in accordance with the Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act: and
 - to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met: or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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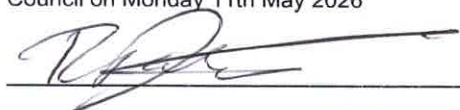
Statement of financial activities for the year ended

	Note	Unre- stricted Funds	Restrict- ed Funds	Endow- ment Funds	Total Funds 2025	Unre- stricted Funds	Re- stricted Funds	Endow- ment Funds	Total Funds 2024
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Income from:									
Donations and legacies	2a	121,871	17,500	-	139,371	110,066	12,888	15,254	136,808
Other trading activities	2b	15,761	-	-	15,761	15,576	-	-	15,576
Investments	2c	2,625	1,463	648	4,736	2,712	1,446	669	4,826
Church activities	2d	24,193	5,326	-	29,519	22,290	6,595	-	32,626
Total Income		164,450	24,289	648	189,387	152,971	22,342	15,923	191,236
Resources Expended:									
Church activities	3	167,701	23,299	-	191,000	155,652	12,029	-	167,681
Total Expenditure		167,701	23,299	-	191,000	155,652	12,029	-	167,681
Net Gain (Losses) on investments	6b	-	-	(1,050)	(1,050)	-	-	515	515
Net Income / (Expenditure)		(3,251)	990	(402)	(2,663)	(2,681)	10,313	16,438	24,070
Transfers between funds		-(789)	877	-(88)	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in Funds		(4,040)	1,867	(490)	(2,663)	(2,681)	10,313	16,438	24,070
Reconciliation of Funds									
Total funds b/fwd		58,169	58,819	45,257	162,245	60,850	48,506	28,819	138,175
Total Funds carried forward		54,129	60,686	44,767	159,582	58,169	58,819	45,251	162,245

Parochial Church Council of St Wilfrid, Calverley
Balance Sheet at 31 December 2025

	Note	Unre- stricted Funds	Restrict- ed Funds	Endow- ment Funds	Total Funds 2025	Unre- stricted Funds	Restrict- ed Funds	Endow- ment Funds	Total Funds 2024
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets									
Tangible fixed assets	6a	-	18,509	-	18,509	-	19,535	-	19,535
Investments	6b	-	-	36,983	36,983	-	-	22,780	22,780
		-	18,509	36,983	55,492	-	19,535	22,780	42,315
Current Assets									
Debtors	7	11,039	297	22	11,358	10,147	337	25	10,509
Cash at bank and in hand		55,804	41,884	7,758	105,446	73,100	38,947	7,198	119,245
CAF Bank for Investment								15,254	15,254
		66,843	42,181	7,780	116,804	83,247	39,284	22,477	145,008
Liabilities									
Creditors: amounts falling due in one year	8	12,714	-	-	12,714	25,078	-	-	25,078
Net Current assets		54,129	42,181	7,780	104,090	58,169	39,294	22,477	104,676
Total net assets		54,129	60,690	44,763	159,582	58,169	58,819	45,257	162,245
Parish Funds									
Endowment	9	-	-	44,763	44,763	-	-	45,257	45,257
Unrestricted		54,129	-		54,129	58,169	-		58,169
Restricted	9		60,690		60,690		58,819		58,819
		54,129	60,690	44,763	159,582	58,169	58,819	45,257	162,245

The Balance Sheet, Statement of Financial Activities and notes thereto, together with the Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2025 were approved by the Parochial Church Council on Monday 11th May 2026



Chairman of the meeting

Parochial Church Council of St Wilfrid, Calverley

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Parochial Church Council of St Wilfrid, Calverley is a Parochial Church Council (PCC) registered in England and Wales number 1130921 and governed by its Power of Measure and Church Representation Rules.

1.1 ACCOUNTING CONVENTION

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the PCC's Power of Measure and Church Representation Rules, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2019). The PCC is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The accounts have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The accounts are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the PCC. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

1.2 GOING CONCERN

At the time of approving the accounts, the Members have a reasonable expectation that the PCC has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Members continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

1.3 FUNDS

Unrestricted funds are general funds which can be used for PCC ordinary purposes.

Endowment funds are funds, the capital of which must be maintained; only income arising from the investment of the endowment may be used either as restricted or unrestricted funds depending on the purpose for which the endowment was established.

Restricted funds represent (a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest, and (b) donations or grants received for a specific object or invite by the PCC for a special object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining un- spent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on the fund. The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund. Where there is no separate investment, interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

Parochial Church Council of St Wilfrid, Calverley

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2025

1.4 INCOME

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the income to which they relate is received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is legally entitled to the amount due. Dividends are accounted for when receivable. All other income is recognised when it is received. All income is accounted for gross.

1.5 EXPENDITURE

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to the expenditure. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under heading that aggregate all costs related to the category. Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

1.6 FIXED ASSETS

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with s.10 of the Charities Act 2011. Equipment used within the church premises has been written off in the year of acquisition.

Moveable church furnishings are capitalised at cost and depreciated over their useful economic life other than where insufficient cost information is available. In this case the item is not capitalised, but all items are included in the Church's inventory in any case.

Depreciation is calculated to write off the capitalised cost of fixed assets less their anticipated residual fair value over their estimated useful lives as follows:

- Fixtures and Fittings	20 years and 3 years straight line
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Investments quoted on a recognised stock exchange or whose value derives from them are valued at market value at the year end.

1.7 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

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1.8 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the Charity's balance sheet when the Charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

De-recognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the Charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

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1.9 EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the PCC is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

1.10 RETIREMENT BENEFITS

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

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	Unre- stricted Funds	Restrict- ed Funds	Endow- ment Funds	Total Funds 2025	Unre- stricted Funds	Re- stricted Funds	Endow- ment Funds	Total Funds 2024
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
2 Income :								
2a Donations & legacies-								
Planned giving								
Gift Aid donations Tax recoverable Other								
Open plate collections	80,993	-	-	80,993	72,966	-	-	72,966
Organ fundraising	18,996	-	-	18,996	18,454	-	-	18,454
	630	-	-	630	1,399	-	-	1,399
Grants	9,398	-	-	9,398	11,893	-	-	11,893
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Donations and appeals	9,209	17,500	-	26,709	-	-	-	-
	2,645	-	-	2,645	5,354	12,888	15,254	33,495
	121,871	17,500	-	139,371	110,066	12,888	15,254	138,208
2b Other trading activities								
Coffee Shop		-	-	-	2,586	-	-	2,586
	15,761	-	-	15,761	12,990	-	-	12,990
Other fund raising								
	15,761	-		15,761	15,576	-		15,576
2c Income from invest- ments								
Dividends and interest including tax recoverable	2,625	1,463	648	4,736	2,712	1,446	669	4,827
	2,625	1,463	648	4,736	2,712	1,446	669	4,827
2d Income from Churchactivities								
Church Hall lettings	22,432			22,432	22,604			22,206
Children's activities		958		958		1,865		1,865
Fees	1,761	4368		6,129	2,013	6,144		8,157
	24,193	5,326		29,519	24,617	8,009		32,626
Total Income	164,450	24,289	648	189,387	152,971	22,342	15,923	191,236

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	Unre- stricted Funds	Restrict- ed Funds	Endow- ment Funds	Total Funds 2025	Unre- stricted Funds	Re- stricted Funds	Endow- ment Funds	Total Funds 2024
	£		£	£	£	£	£	£
		£						
3 Expenditure :								
3 Church activities								
a Mission and charitable giving								
Overseas								
CMS	-	-	-	-	2,882	-	-	2,882
SAM	-	-	-	-	825	-	-	825
Tearfund	-	-	-	-	538	-	-	538
Home								
CPAS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Church Army	-	-	-	-	538	-	-	538
Jesus Shaped People	-	-	-	-	200	-	-	200
her Donations	4,304	-	-	4,304	3,744	-	-	3,744
Of	4,304	-	-	4,304	8,727	-	-	8,727
Ministry								
Diocesan Share	60,000	-	-	60,000	75,464	-	-	75,464
MShare 2022 not paid		-	-			-	-	
Maintenance costs	63,428	17,500	-	80,928	37,743	-	-	37,743
Church running and								
Churchyard upkeep		841	-	841		2,243	-	2,243
Church Hall costs	11,056	-	-	11,056	11,076	-	-	11,076
Printing and stationery	825	-	-	825	773	-	-	773
Organ repairs			-	-			-	-
Depreciation		1,904	-	1,904		1,611	-	1,611
Bank Charges	376	11		387	316			316
	135,685	20,256	-	155,941	125,372	3,854	-	129,226
3 Coffee shop	-	-	-	-	687	-	-	687
b Children's Work		853	-	853		4,640	-	4,640
Fundraising Expenses	5,016			5,016	5,394			5,394
	5,016	853	-	5,869	6,081	4,640	-	10,721
3 Governance costs								
c Independent Examiners Fee	690	-	-	690	696	-	-	696
3 Other staff costs/fees	22,006	2,190	-	24,196	14,776	3535	-	18,311
d								
Total Expenditure	167,701	23,299	-	191,000	155,652	12,029	-	167,681

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STAFF COSTS

4a. Number of employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2025	2024
	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>
Employment costs		
	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	<u>22,696</u>	<u>14,776</u>

No employee earned over £60,000 in the current or previous year.

5 TAXATION

As a charity the PCC is exempt from tax on income falling within part II of the Corporation Tax Act 2010.

6. FIXED ASSETS

6a. Tangible Assets

	Fixtures & Fittings
Cost	£
At 1 January 2025	36,027
Additions	<u>878</u>
At 31 December 2025	<u>36,905</u>
Depreciation	
At 1 January 2025	16,492
Charge for the year	<u>1,904</u>
At 31 December 2025	<u>16,492</u>
Net book value	
At 31 December 2025	<u>18,509</u>
At 31 December 2024	<u>19,535</u>

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	2025	2024
	£	£
6b. Investments		
Market value as at 1 January	22,780	22,265
Additions at cost	15,254	-
Revaluation gain / (loss)	(1,051)	515
Market value as at 31 December	36,983	22,780

The market value at 31 December 2025 represents investments in endowment funds.

7. Debtors	2025	2025	2024	2024
	Unrestricted	Restricted /	Unrestricted	Restricted /
	-	Endowment	-	Endowment
	£	£	£	£
Tax recoverable	6,705	-	6,033	-
VAT recoverable	3,024	-	465	-
Prepayments	1,050		3,048	
Other debtors	259	320	601	362
	11,038	320	10,147	362
8 Liabilities				
Amounts falling due in one year:				
Accrual for utility and other costs	2,641		5,312	
Creditors	10,053		19,746	
Other creditors	20		20	
	12,714		25,078	

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9. Funds

The restricted funds comprise the graveyard, children/youthwork, and fabric (reordering) funds.

The endowment funds comprise the following funds: poor (Parochial), insurance (John Stead Trust), graveyard, incumbent (W Blackett bequest), chancel (T H Gray bequest) and children (Woodhall Hills Sunday School).

Restricted funds

	At 1 January 2025	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December 2025
Graveyard	14,330	2,854	(841)	-	16,343
Fixed Asset Fund	19,535	878	(1,904)	-	18,509
Children and Youth	24,943	1,748	(864)	-	25,827
Funeral Fees	-	-	-	-	-
Fabric Fund	11	-	-	-	11
Church Roof Repairs	-	17,500	(17,500)	-	-
Total	58,819	22,980	(21,109)	-	60,690

Restricted funds –2024

	At 1 January 2024	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December 2024
Graveyard	13,175	3,398	(2,243)	-	14,330
Fixed Asset Fund	21,146	-	(1,611)	-	19,535
Children and Youth	14,175	15,408	(4,640)	-	24,943
Funeral Fees	-	3,535	(3,535)	-	-
Fabric Fund	10	1	-	-	11
Organ Repairs	-	-	-	-	-
Total	48,506	22,342	(12,029)	-	58,819

	At 1 January 2025	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December 2025
General Funds	58,169	164,450	(167,701)	(789)	54,129
	At 1 January 2024	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December 2024
General Funds– 2024	60,850	152,971	(155,652)	-	58,169

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Endowment funds	At 1 January 2025	Income	Expenditure	Gains / (Losses)	At 31 December 2025
Parochial	8,446	199	-	(221)	8,424
Insurance	7,569	175	(88)	(251)	7,405
Graveyard	1,671	-	-	(67)	1,604
Incumbent	11,804	271	-	(464)	11,611
Chancel	513	-	-	13	526
Woodhall Hills	15,254	-	-	(60)	15,194
Total	45,257	648	(88)	(1050)	44,764

Endowment funds—2024	At 1 January 2024	Income	Expenditure	Gains / (Losses)	At 31 December 2024
Parochial	8,110	234	-	102	8,446
Insurance	7,257	171	-	141	7,569
Graveyard	1,628	-	-	43	1,671
Incumbent	11,326	264	-	214	11,804
Chancel	498	-	-	15	513
Woodhall Hills	-	15,254	-	-	15,254
Total	28,819	15,923		515	45,257

10. Analysis of net assets 2025

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total Funds £
Tangible fixed assets	-	18,509		18,509
Investment fixed assets	-		36,983	36,983
Current assets	66,843	42,181	7,780	116,804
Liabilities	(12,714)	-	-	(12,714)
All falling due within one year				
	<u>54,129</u>	<u>60,690</u>	<u>44,763</u>	<u>159,582</u>

Analysis of net assets—2024

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total Funds £
Tangible fixed assets	-	19,535	-	19,535
Investment fixed assets	-	-	22,780	22,780
Current assets	83,247	39,284	22,477	145,008
Liabilities	(25,078)	-	-	(59,428)
All falling due within one year				
	<u>58,169</u>	<u>58,819</u>	<u>45,257</u>	<u>162,245</u>

11. Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the current or prior year.

Payments amounting to £ 780 were made to two Trustees in the year for specific services provided outside of their trustee role, (2024 £990 to two Trustees).

The remuneration of key management personnel is as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Aggregate compensation	nil	nil

THE BARN

31st Jan 2025 – 31st Dec 2025

This was my (Kelly Cartwright-Hughes) first full year managing the Barn and Events. Throughout that time the Barn has been relatively consistently booked and we now have a few extra weekly classes running alongside the weekend bookings.

Every week we have as follows:

- Play Academy each weekday throughout term time plus sporadically Holiday Clubs during the school breaks.
- Pilates class every Monday evening
- NA meetings in the upstairs room every Monday evening
- Zumba class every Tuesday evening
- Choir Practise every Wednesday evening
- Barn Babies every Thursday morning
- Belly Dance class every Thursday evening
- Sound Healing on the last Friday evening of each month

The Barn has also hosted more creative workshops this year:

- A Spring Wreath Workshop 17th May. We sold 7 tickets, taking £210. We paid the artist £150.
- Christmas Lino Print Workshop 13th November which sold out in just 5 days. We sold 15 tickets, taking £510. We paid the artist £150.
- Christmas Wreath Workshop 29th November. We sold 13 tickets, taking £390. We paid the artist £150.

At the Church I organised the following events.

- Spring Fair 12th April. Not as successful as the previous Christmas fair in terms of numbers but sellers reported they enjoyed the event and would trade again.
- Toy Swaps 8th March & 9th August – both very successful and a large number of items were donated to Leeds Baby Bank and St. Gemma's Hospice.
- Sketch Club / Crafternoon on 18th Feb and 18th December, a pay as you feel event more aimed at bringing people into the Church. These were very quiet events with just a few guests. We may try again with a slightly different format in future.
- Christmas Fair 13th Dec – very successful and great feedback from both sellers and guests.

We also tried to host a Punch Needle Workshop but didn't sell enough tickets to cover costs so this was unfortunately cancelled.

The Barn had a thorough clean in July by a company called Shine Bright Cleaning. This cost £240.

There have also been a few minor repairs and decorating jobs done. The entrance hall has been replastered and painted along with the bathroom and coat room area (£745). The disabled toilet has had a new lock and handle fitted and the upstairs bathrooms have had locks replaced (£125). The fire doors have been repaired (I believe the Wardens received the invoice for this).

Total number of Barn weekend bookings for the period: 24.

Kelly Cartwright-Hughes, Barn and Events manager

BARN BABIES PARENT & TODDLER GROUP

Now in its 28th Year, Barn babies' parent and toddler group meets in the Barn on a Thursday morning term time only from 9.30-11.15am. We have 22 children currently attending Barn Babies which is our maximum capacity, this is very encouraging after low numbers post covid. Sally Littlejohn continues to run it with me with Naomi Simkins helping when she can and also our fabulous refreshment team, ex-Barn Babies mums of Chloe Cross, Amreen Kapsi-Chawke, Claire Higham, and Fiona Knowles plus Margaret Roundhill who very kindly has rejoined the team now she is no longer looking after grandchildren on a Thursday. If anyone would like to join our refreshment rota, please speak to me or Naomi.

Barn Babies aim continues to be, to provide a facility for families to meet others, feel welcomed by the local church and introduce young children to Father God and Jesus through See and Know.

Fiona Hainsworth, Barn Babies Co-ordinator

BELL RINGERS

The band of ringers at St Wilfrid's continues to support the worship of the church, ensuring that bells are rung for Sunday Services, major festivals and weddings.

Bells were rung for the majority of early Sunday Services in 2025. We also provided bands for Harvest, Christmas and Easter Services. Bells were rung to enhance the joy of one wedding and to provide a solemn tribute at one funeral.

Weekly practice nights, on Thursdays, have been well attended, allowing us to develop our skills in call changes and method ringing. A regular recruitment and training programme, offered by the ringing master, means we are currently training five new learners, ensuring the future of ringing at St Wilfrid's. Ringers who started during the last two years are rapidly making progress and expert tuition enables learning and development at all levels.

We are always pleased to welcome visitors to the tower and are regularly supported by ringers from St James' Tong, and All Saint's Otley. We have also welcomed bands from Leeds Minster and Blackburn during the year.

The steeple keeper and ringing master have regularly checked the bells, tightening nuts, checking ropes for wear and doing routine maintenance. The weather proofing in the bell chamber has now been replaced, helping to protect the bells and bell frame for the future. A thorough clean of the bell chamber, ringing room and tower steps has also been undertaken. The new lighting and stair rope in the tower have greatly enhanced the safety for ringers and visitors.

All regular ringers have been made aware of the Diocesan safeguarding policy. The ringing master and tower secretary have both completed Level 2 training. There are four DBS-checked members in the band.

The ringers are pleased to record thanks to the vicar, curate and other members of St Wilfrid's for their support over the year.

Anyone interested in finding out more about ringing or the bells should contact:
nicola.goode2@virginmedia.com

Nicola Goode

CAFÉ REVIVE

This last year has been a busy one! Café Revive celebrated its first birthday, and we have changed the day that we meet in order to try and be more accessible to those in the village who had not been able to attend due to other commitments.

We now meet on the second Saturday of the month 1pm-3pm, for a time of shared fun, laughter, support, fellowship and cake! We have had a visit from Sporting Memories; a musical extravaganza from the amazing String of Beads and our very own in-house entertainment (including the Vicar as Bingo caller extraordinaire).

Everyone is welcome, with the café having a heart for people, their families and carers, living with memory loss.

Blessings, Kim and Rachael

CHURCHYARD MAINTENANCE & ANIMALS

It's been another busy year for the 10 strong team keeping the Churchyard in a tidy condition for parishioners, visitors and the community to enjoy, as well as trying to maintain a beneficial eco- diverse environment for pollinators and wildlife. Strimming, mowing, weeding and tending the Beds and Borders during the Spring /Summer period has seen our busiest time with Autumn focusing on leaf clearing to general tidying up and ending with the Christmas Tree raising and Holly Gathering for the Church celebrations. In between there is always plenty of running repairs required to Benches and Fencing, as well as preparing the Cremated Remains area for Services, litter picking and maintaining tools and Kit.

The Probation Volunteers team have been an enormous help with Strimming and some of the heavier lifting and carrying jobs and old fence dismantling, and we look forward to their continued involvement in 2026.

The moles are becoming a problem, particularly in the Cremated Remains area and may need some form of control or intervention to prevent further damage to the ground beneath the Tablets where the Ashes are placed. The molehills are also causing environmental damage to grassed areas making for unsightly patches which can be difficult to repair.

The Gully in front of the Porch needs early attention to improve the soakaway drain, and the Grating itself needs some new supports. We understand this is in hand, as well as the rotten Ash Tree in the Victorian Graveyard which is in need of felling.

There's been no evidence of anti-social behaviour or petty vandalism that has occurred in the past, but sadly there's increased evidence of dog fouling, which is

very disappointing to see in consecrated ground and grassed areas and where children are encouraged to enjoy the environment.

And finally, the Team would like to express their thanks to Rob the PCC and Office staff for their support in the work we do particularly with prompt funding expenses for Kit maintenance and other essentials and look forward to another year of caring for and tending St Wilfrid's Green Spaces to ensure an environment for all to enjoy.

Pat Kelly for the Churchyard Team

Footnote from Pat – *Unfortunately since the report was submitted there has been an incident involving serious damage to the Bench in the Cremated Remains area, which could only be regarded as a deliberate and wanton act of vandalism. The Team will keep vigilant and report back on any further incidents.*

Also note: *since this report was submitted the ash tree in question has been safely felled, and the gutter, grate and drainage in from top church has been repaired*

SOUTH LEEDS DEANERY SYNOD REPORT 2025

The South Leeds Deanery Synod met on Tuesday 20th May 2025 at Christ Church, Upper Armley.

Diocesan Synod Update – Rev Phil Arnold, Upper Armley, and Revd Mark Watson, East Ardsley, have been elected to Diocesan Synod. Juliette McIellen, Diocesan Director of Safeguarding, would send out a quarterly Newsletter to Parish Safeguarding Officers.

Parish Share – There was going to be a change in approach to engage with parishes in how the Parish Share is paid. South Leeds Deanery had increased the percentage of their payments on the Share, but it was still lower than East Leeds Deanery and North Leeds Deanery, possible due to differences in demographics.

General Synod Update – The meeting in February focused on Safeguarding exploring several options of how to monitor and have oversight.

Canon Jude Smith spoke about the Compass Initiative and how it aimed to give parishes confidence in 4 areas of Mission, Future, Leadership and Witness.

The Leeds Episcopal Area Forum was held on Wednesday 19th March at 7pm at St George's Church with Revd Anne Russell, Area Dean of East Leeds and co-lead of our Sudan link, speaking about Sudan with its forgotten war and stories from her last visit.

The next meeting of the South Leeds Deanery Synod was held on Wednesday 24th September 2025 at St John's, Wortley with the Rt Revd Arun Arora, Bishop of Kirkstall. Rev Phil Arnold gave clergy updates. There was presentation by Jo Sarkar about the work of the Mothers' Union. Bishop Arun spoke about the process surrounding the election of a new Bishop of Leeds. Finance is an issue in the Diocese with a deficit of £2.2 million which will mean fewer clergy in the future. Bishop Arun reported that Confirmation Services across the Diocese are joyful occasions and allow us to hear and see what God and the Holy Spirit are doing. Bishop Arun then moved on to discuss Racial Justice in Leeds in the current climate of national pride engendering hatred and violence towards asylum seekers and refugees. He advised us all to be agents of love and hope in our communities.

The Area Forum at St George's Church on Wednesday 19th November 2025 focussed on Identity and Race with speakers Wayne Simmonds, Racial Justice Officer, Qari Asim – Senior Imam - Makkah Mosque, Susie Gordon, CEO - Leeds Jewish Representative Council

We are thankful for all those who serve on Deanery Synod and, in particular, the work of Rev Phil Arnold, Area Dean, Rev Sharon Wilkinson, Assistant Area Dean and Stuart Ward, South Leeds Deanery Lay Chair, Brenda Pickard, Deanery Secretary, and Jo Sarkar, Deanery Administrator.

Brenda Pickard Deanery Synod Representative

FABRIC

This Fabric Report is submitted to the PCC by Brenda Pickard and Fiona Hainsworth, Churchwardens in accordance with the Care of Churches and the Ecclesiastical jurisdiction measure 1991, which came into force in March 1993 and imposes a legal requirement on churchwardens to inspect the fabric of the church and all the articles belonging to it at least once a year and to make an annual fabric report and to make the same report (subject to any alterations decided on by the PCC) to the APCM. After the APCM, a copy is to be sent to the Archdeacon and the church's inspecting architect.

All maintenance checks & any necessary repairs to the fabric of the church and Barn have been completed. All the articles and equipment in each building have been serviced and are in good working order.

Brenda Pickard & Fiona Hainsworth, Churchwardens

Church Wardens Report - Presented by Fiona Hainsworth, Churchwarden

Church- The following forms the Fabric Report for the Church, January - December 2025

- Quarterly pest control visits complete, intervention was necessary on occasions throughout the year, all contract visits.
- Bi-annual visits for organ tuning maintenance completed.
- Annual service of organ humidifier and Blower.
- Tower clock serviced.
- Full electrical survey and PAT testing of all appliances.
- Gas boilers inspected and serviced.
- Fire safety inspection – alarm serviced, 5 extinguishers replaced, fire blanket serviced.
- Lightning conductor test and inspection.
- Church dishwasher serviced.
- Organ humidifier serviced.
- New lock on organ door.
- Church ceiling inspected, some slight evidence of woodworm.
- Hoppers opened for ventilation to combat damp.
- Church roof as dictated by the Quinquennial Report completed.
- Church alarm upgraded to **Grade 4 Dual Com - Notification will be by Grade 4 DP 3 Gradeshift Pro Radio / Radio.**

Tower: -

- Replacement of old lighting with spiral LED rope light.
- Replacement of existing rope handrail with new, stronger fittings, good quality rope and replacement and strengthening of wire mesh at top of staircase.
- Fitting emergency light in tower chamber.
- Fitting of sensor light above external tower door.

Barn: - The following forms the Fabric Report for the Barn, January – December 2025

- Quarterly pest control visits completed, intervention was necessary on occasions throughout the year.
- Fire alarm test and fire safety inspection.
- Gas boiler inspected and serviced.
- Dishwasher serviced.
- Smartmeter for electricity installed.
- New door handles fitted to main door
- New taps to kitchen sinks.
- Repair to surface of top step on school side of Barn
- Exterior decorated, some rotten windowsills replaced.
- Barn alarm upgraded to **Grade 2 DIGI AIR DP2 Gradeshift Pro Radio / Radio.**

FLOWER ARRANGING

I would like to start by thanking everyone who helps to make the church look so beautiful at Christmas, Easter and Harvest. We could not do it without the donations of flowers and greenery, and those who gather to share in fellowship and creativity.

As we work towards becoming more environmentally friendly, and 'greener' in the way that we decorate church, we are exploring different ways of creating displays and of being more sustainable. This is where you might come in! We would really like to reduce the carbon footprint of the flowers that we use, and one way of doing that is by using seasonal and locally grown blooms. If you could help by growing plants in your gardens which we could use in displays that would be amazing!

No formal skills are required to help with the decorating – just a willingness to try, maybe a pair of secateurs, and definitely a fondness of cake!

For more information, please contact kim@calverleyparish.church

Kim Pollard for the Church Flower Arranging Team

COMMUNION TABLE FLOWER ROTA

A New Year began in January 2025 with an almost full Rota; I was able to fill the few vacant dates throughout the year.

The Flowers were removed during Lent, then the Rota resumed at Easter on a fortnightly basis. During the Summer months the flowers are replaced weekly due to the warmer weather causing the flowers to wilt.

Rob gave permission for Flowers to be provided during Advent 2025 as these dates are special to the parishioners who provide them.

My grateful thanks to everyone who provide the flowers on this Rota, enabling the long-standing tradition to continue in our lovely Church.

I am pleased to say that the 2026 Rota is almost complete, just one available date on November 15th. Please have a word with me for further information if anyone is interested in providing flowers on this date.

**Many Thanks and Blessings,
Julie Horan**

GIFT AID

Gift Aid is the amount of money that an organisation like our church can recover from HMRC on financial gifts made to us by taxpayers.

There are 65 people who make regular contributions to our church finances. Many of these gifts are made via the PGS system. Any Gift Aid recoverable on these contributions is paid to us monthly, which is very useful for planning our finances. For all other forms of giving, I send an annual claim to HMRC to recover the Gift Aid on all eligible gifts. Last year we recovered an additional £5688.72 in this manner.

Regular giving is important to our financial support and our main source of income. All giving is completely confidential and known only to me. I would be happy to speak to anyone in confidence about any aspect of giving.

Margaret Roundhill

SMALL GROUPS

There are only a couple of Small Groups who meet.

TAG (Tuesday Afternoon Group), run by Sue Ward, in the church weeks 1,3 and 5 of the month 11am-2pm with lunch in The Barn, attended by c20 people, generally retired members and an other group who meet on an ad-hoc basis.

There is currently no Small Group Co-ordinator, if anyone is interested in taking on this role to support the growth of small groups please speak to Rob

PASTORAL CARE

Caring for one another as members of God's family is part of being a Christian. Whilst most pastoral care happens informally, between friends and in families, St Wilfrid's have a variety of groups and structures that offer more formalised care, too.

Caring for our Church Family

We recognise that there are times when people might particularly want the church to be aware of their situation and find a call or a visit from the clergy helpful – and we are always very happy to visit you – at home or in hospital. Do feel free to ask Rob or Lizzie if we haven't asked you!

In March 2025 members of the PCC agreed to a more systematic approach to pastoral care proposed by Lizzie, which we hope takes a more proactive approach. You may remember the various notices last spring, but here is a reminder of how it works.

PCC members have agreed to 'look out for' their own short list of regular congregants (listed in our electronic address book, ChurchSuite). If they haven't seen someone in a while and are concerned, they may contact that person and check all is well and suggest and/or arrange pastoral support such as a visit from the clergy, prayers for or with them, home communion or perhaps help with meals if that's helpful.

Rob and Lizzie "adopt" a different PCC member's list each month. We hope that this system is encouraging us to take time to notice and care for one another in a more deliberate way. If you find yourself at the end of a phone call or text from one of the PCC and you've been on a fabulous holiday or had a few Sunday lie-ins, then we are glad you enjoyed yourself and hope you feel loved and not chased up!

In addition to visits, 15 **Home Communions** were shared with eight different households visited at home or in hospital in the last year - some regularly, others as needed. The majority of these were visits from the clergy, although thank you to our wardens and to Niall for accompanying us where appropriate. We would love it if others joined in this ministry; it is a lovely thing to do.

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HOPE (Helping Other People Eat) continue to supply meals to anyone who could use a bit of help (new baby/illness...). Kim Raja heads up HOPE and reports that there are 15 'cooks' who provided meals for between one day and a couple of months to eight 'super grateful' households in the last year. A huge thank you to all who are part of this thoughtful and practical ministry and to Kim for co-ordinating this.

Good Grief Lizzie and Denise Ratcliffe ran a short course on coping with bereavement at Cravings By Sid. This was open to the village and became an informal drop in café held on the first Tuesday of each month. Mark Dixon, who is training in bereavement counselling has joined us. Thank you to Mark and Denise and to, Saeed and Waheeda for their care and hospitality. The team are currently reassessing the future of this café.

Community Groups

The church now provides space for three new groups this year that offer pastoral care in some form. Some of which we attend or host, others appreciate our buildings.

Narcotics Anonymous have met (independently) in our barn since autumn 2025 and are very appreciative. Some of their members have helped us in practical ways, such as moving chairs! They meet at 7:30pm each Monday.

Calverley C of E Primary School SEND (Special educational needs/disabilities) parents' coffee morning is an initiative organised and led by the school SEND Co-ordinator, Miss White. Lizzie (as SEND governor) or Rob will join in with hosting and the group gather twice termly. It is a valued safe space for helpful peer support and information. We are delighted that the school offer this and are privileged to help support the group.

Michelle Stansfield and a group of other local mums got together to create **School Strugglers** in winter 2025. She writes, "For the last few months a group of parents and carers of children who struggle to attend school have been getting together on the second Saturday of the month at 10am over coffee and biscuits to offer moral support, help and share lessons learned. Several have been surprised at how common it is to struggle with school attendance and everything that goes with it. If this affects your child, contact us via our Facebook group or speak to me directly." Again, thanks are due to Michelle and co for noticing a gap that needed attention and to all who attend and share their wisdom and experience. Rob and Lizzie attend to offer support and hospitality (biscuits!).

Café Revive (with its particular focus for those living with dementia) has its own report, but the work of Kim Pollard, Rachel Kelley and their caring, devoted team is another expression of pastoral care that is much appreciated.

LICENCED LAY MINISTRY

It has been a joy and a privilege to serve as your LLM over the last year. My Licensing service was attended by so many, and your support and kindness has been overwhelming.

As I grow into the role, I am exploring what my ministry might look like in Calverley, aside from preaching and leading, as I work alongside so many people, both lay and ordained, who already do so much.

All I can say is watch this space and thank you for your ongoing support.

Blessings

Kim

MARRIAGE COURSES No courses took place in 2025.

MISSION PARTNERS

We continue supporting Azaria, our CMS partner, as we had a real connection with her, our support was increased in line with inflation. Future giving comes from a share of donations at occasional offices, from one-off donation drives such as for the women's refuge at Christmas and Foodbank at harvest, and from splitting the proceeds of fundraisers with charities who resonated with our values chosen at the time.

Revd Rob Denton

'OPEN THE BOOK'

The OTB team has continued to visit assembly at C of E school every other Tuesday to act out Bible stories. The team, with different members has been doing this for over 10 years. We began this academic year with the creation story and after working our way through the stories of Noah, Abraham, Jacob and Esau, we have just completed the story of Joseph. Just before Easter we shall present The Last Supper before returning to the Old Testament for Moses and Joshua. Every week children want to participate and take part in the acting and I believe the children enjoy our visits.

The current team consists of Margaret Clayton, Fiona Hainsworth, Sue Longbottom, Sandra Tempest and me. If you feel, as I do, that it is important for children to be told these stories from the Bible, then please consider joining us. We would love to expand the team. You will enjoy it!

Margaret Roundhill

MUSIC REPORT

The organ continues to enhance the worship at St Wilfrid's and has been played at many of the 9.15 services, some 10am joint services and for festivals such as Christmas and Easter (and Holy Week), a wedding, funerals and a couple of evening services. The organ is performing well and reliably. It is tuned twice a year and also has the blower serviced. Leaks, where the blower connects to the organ, were getting much worse, and risked failing all together – so work was carried out by our organ repairs make a completely new connector (you can't buy an off the shelf part for an organ built in 1894!). This has solved the problem. Also, on attending the annual servicing of the humidifier and blower, it was recommended that we got a new drip silencer fitted, which we did.

The St Wilfrid's Singers sang on Easter Day, for the Traditional Carol Service, Evensong for Ascension Day and for Evensong on Advent Sunday. Numbers continue to grow, and we were supported by Farsley Church Choir for the evensong service.

Steve Simkin and the band have been playing at the 11 am service about one a month.

Jonathan Lacey, Organist

OUTREACH CHILDREN'S WORK

What's The Story

In March, we welcomed Yr 5 children from Parkside, the C of E school & Pudsey South Royd into church for 'What's the Story about Easter?' and in December, Yr 1's from Parkside and the C of E school came for 'What's the Story about Christmas?' and Yr 2's joined us for Christmas Crafts.

Our RE work with our two schools has continued with a full programme of visits connected to their RE curriculum. We thank God for the way the relationship has grown, with the children accepting that this is *their* church and they are always welcome in it.

Brenda Pickard & the team

Stained Glass Workshops

The Stained-Glass workshops for Yr 3 which led to some beautiful stained 'glass' and Yr 4 groups came for learned about the history of the church through the Heritage Trail.

Brenda Pickard

SAFEGUARDING

'The Church of England, its archbishops, bishops, clergy and leaders are committed to safeguarding as an integral part of the life and ministry of the Church.'

Ensuring the safety of all those who visit or use our church remains a high priority at St Wilfrid's.

All those working with children, young people or vulnerable adults and PCC members as trustees are required to complete a DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) check and complete Diocesan safeguarding training.

I would encourage everyone to take the Basic Awareness training, available via the Diocesan website as safeguarding is the responsibility of all of us. If you would like more information or help, just get in touch.

Anyone who has concerns regarding the safety of others within our church should contact myself or the Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor or if the risk or danger is immediate ring the police. Contact details are available on our website.

June Hopkinson, Parish Safeguarding Officer.

SUNDAY CHILDREN'S GROUPS

The Sunday Kids Church runs (on average) two sessions per month, tailored to the 4-11/Primary-school age range. We continue to explore a variety of themes (often linked to that week's sermon) through several age-appropriate activities such as games, crafts, discussions, and exploring Bible passages. We have a core group of around 12 attendees on a regular basis, with some weeks being busier, and others quieter. We enjoyed hosting the Mothering Sunday service (2025) alongside the Youth Church group, with members of both groups contributing and helping to plan the service. We continue to pray for more DBS'd adults who can support and lead these sessions as part of a wider team. Special thanks to Nicola Lightfoot who regularly assists in leading the sessions.

Olivia Gaunt

SUNDAY YOUTH GROUPS

During Sunday services the youth meet within the barn. The youth comprise of children aged between 11-15. We discuss topics relevant to their everyday using the Bible and scripture to help navigate these sometime tricky issues. We are still seeking more helpers and would love anyone willing and able to join us!

Many Thanks

Harriet Pollard

YOUTH GROUP

Every term-time Wednesday we gather in church ready to meet our young people as their buses return them to Calverley from their secondary schools. Toast, squash and hot drinks are served by the team and there's usually ping-pong, table football, board games and a chance to chat. Most weeks we have an activity or games together which can be anything from making cards for St Lukes at Christmas, planting bulbs to give to TAG, dipping candles for church or trying to eat a donut suspended from a string with your hands behind your back.

At the end of each session, we sit together and reflect on how our day has been before being sent home with a prayer. We have an option to stay on for half an hour (until 5pm) where we might pray or study the Bible or discuss our faith together. Youth sessions are for Y7 upwards, but after the final summer half term we invite those leaving Y6 to join us.

Our team are Sandra, Rob, Rachel Marcus and now also Fiona Knowles and I am massively grateful to them all for their commitment and sense of fun and endless tidying up skills. Between us we manage to serve not only toast but ping pong balls most weeks, but if you would like to join in for an hour a week when needed that would be brilliant, as even with five of us there have been weeks where we have been close to cancelling drop ins on several occasions- thank you to Kim P and Fiona H for their last minute help this year.

Our young people are a great bunch. So, my final thank you is to them, for coming along and joining in.

Lizzie